

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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Claim 1 (Canceled).

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 11, wherein each of the titanium oxide layers has a refractive index of at least 2.4 at a wavelength of 550 nm.

Claim 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 11, wherein the thickness of each interlayer independently is from 0.1 to 30 nm.

Claim 5 (Canceled).

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 11, wherein the sheet resistance value is from 0.5 to 3.5  $\Omega / \square$ , the visible light transmittance is at least 40%, and the visible light reflectance is at most 10%.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 11, wherein a resin film having a low-reflecting property is further laminated thereon.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 11, wherein a resin film having a near-infrared shielding property is further laminated thereon.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The laminate according to Claim 11, wherein the visible light reflectance is at most 3%.

Claim 10 (Canceled).

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A laminate which comprises a substrate, and a titanium oxide layer, a metal layer and a titanium oxide layer laminated alternately in this order on the substrate in  $(2n + 1)$  layers (wherein  $n$  is a positive integer), wherein an interlayer having a refractive index of less than 2.4 at a wavelength of 550 nm is interposed at at least two interlaminar boundaries between the titanium oxide layer and the metal layer, wherein

each interlayer independently is a layer consisting of at least one member selected from the group consisting of a nitride, an oxynitride, a carbide, a boride, niobium oxide, GZO, and ITO, and wherein each metal layer independently is a layer containing at least one metal selected from the group consisting of silver, copper and gold.

Claim 12 (New): A laminate which comprises a substrate, and a titanium oxide layer, a metal layer and a titanium oxide layer laminated alternately in this order on the substrate in  $(2n + 1)$  layers (wherein  $n$  is a positive integer), wherein an interlayer having a refractive index of less than 2.4 at a wavelength of 550 nm is interposed at at least one interlaminar boundary between the titanium oxide layer and the metal layer, and which laminate contains at least two metal layers.

Claim 13 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, which contains at least three metal layers.

Claim 14 (New): The laminate according to Claim 13, which contains at least four metal layers.

Claim 15 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein all metal layers are sandwiched between two interlayers.

Claim 16 (New): A laminate which comprises a substrate, and a titanium oxide layer, a metal layer and a titanium oxide layer laminated alternately in this order on the substrate in  $(2n + 1)$  layers (wherein  $n$  is a positive integer), wherein an interlayer having a refractive index of less than 2.4 at a wavelength of 550 nm is interposed at at least one interlaminar boundary between the titanium oxide layer and the metal layer, and wherein the interlayer is at least one material selected from the group consisting of nitrides of boron, nitrides of aluminum, and nitrides of silicon.

Claim 17 (New): A laminate which comprises a substrate, and a titanium oxide layer, a metal layer and a titanium oxide layer laminated alternately in this order on the substrate in

(2n + 1) layers (wherein n is a positive integer), wherein an interlayer having a refractive index of less than 2.4 at a wavelength of 550 nm is interposed at at least one interlaminar boundary between the titanium oxide layer and the metal layer, and wherein the interlayer is at least one material selected from the group consisting of SiN<sub>x</sub>, GZO, NbO<sub>x</sub>, and ITO.

Claim 18 (New): The laminate according to Claim 17, wherein the material is SiN<sub>x</sub> wherein x=1.30-1.36.

Claim 19 (New): The laminate according to Claim 17, wherein the material is GZO.

Claim 20 (New): The laminate according to Claim 17, wherein the material is NbO<sub>x</sub> wherein x=2.5.

Claim 21 (New): The laminate according to Claim 17, wherein the material is ITO.

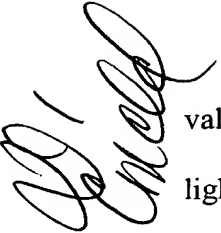
Claim 22 (New): A laminate which comprises a substrate, and a titanium oxide layer, a metal layer and a titanium oxide layer laminated alternately in this order on the substrate in (2n + 1) layers (wherein n is a positive integer), wherein an interlayer having a refractive index of less than 2.4 at a wavelength of 550 nm is interposed at at least one interlaminar boundary between the titanium oxide layer and the metal layer, and wherein each metal layer independently is a layer containing at least one metal selected from the group consisting of Ag-Pd alloy (0.1 to 5 atomic % Pd), Ag-Au alloy (0.1 to 5 atomic % Au), and Ag-Pd-Cu alloy (0.1 to 3 atomic % each of Pd and Cu).

Claim 23 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein each of the titanium oxide layers has a refractive index of at least 2.4 at a wavelength of 550 nm.

Claim 24 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein each interlayer independently is a layer consisting of at least one member selected from the group consisting of an oxide, a nitride, an oxynitride, a carbide and a boride.

Claim 25 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein the thickness of each interlayer independently is from 0.1 to 30 nm.

Claim 26 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein each metal layer independently is a layer containing at least one metal selected from the group consisting of silver, copper and gold.

 Claim 27 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein the sheet resistance value is from 0.5 to 3.5  $\Omega/\square$ , the visible light transmittance is at least 40%, and the visible light reflectance is at most 10%.

Claim 28 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein a resin film having a low-reflecting property is further laminated thereon.

Claim 29 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein a resin film having a near-infrared shielding property is further laminated thereon.

Claim 30 (New): The laminate according to Claim 12, wherein the visible light reflectance is at most 3%.

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DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Claim 11 has been amended by incorporating therein the subject matter of Claim 5, and part of Claim 3. Additionally, support for niobium oxide is found in the specification at, for example, page 13, line 26; for GZO, at Examples 63-121, including its definition in the paragraph bridging pages 41 and 42 of the specification; and for ITO, Examples 127-131, including its definition at page 47, lines 3-4 of the specification. Claims 3 and 5 have been cancelled.

New Claims 12-30 have been added. Claims 12-14 are supported by original Claim 1 combined with page 12, lines 12-20 of the specification. Claim 15 is supported by original Claim 1 combined with page 12, lines 25-26 of the specification. Claim 16 is supported by original Claim 1 combined with page 13, lines 10-13 of the specification. Claims 17-21 are supported by original Claim 1, combined with the specification at page 13, lines 15-16, and Examples 1-131. Claim 22 is supported by original Claim 1 combined with page 11, lines 12-20 of the specification. Finally, Claims 23-30 correspond to Claims 2-9 (prior to the above amendment), respectively, but depend on new Claim 12.

No new matter has been added by the above amendment. Claims 2, 4, 6-9, and 11-30 are now pending in the application.